

**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
U.S. Application No. 09/963,331****Attorney Docket Q66049****REMARKS**

Upon entry of the amendment, claims 8-11 and 29-34 will be are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 29 and 32 have been amended to depend from claim 8 or 10 (see 68 Fed. Reg. 38617, which permits the status identifier "withdrawn - currently amended" where a claim has been previously withdrawn as non-elected but applicant wishes to amend the claim in an effort to rejoin the withdrawn claim with the elected invention), and claims 34-75 have been canceled.

In view of the allowance of claims 8-11, Applicants respectfully request that method claims 29-34 be rejoined with claims 8-11, and have amended claims 29 and 32 to depend from allowed independent claims 8 or 10.

Entry of the above amendments is respectfully requested.

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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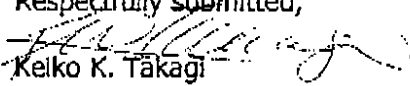
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Sir:

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